SEP 2 8 2004

her by certify that the correspondence is being deposited with the United

States Postar Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on 9-240

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP

By: Juda Shaffer

Attorney Docket No.: 016866-002220

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

T. William Hutchens et al.

Application No.: 10/626,301

Filed: July 23, 2003

For: RETENTATE

CHROMATOGRAPHY AND PROTEIN CHIP ARRAYS WITH APPLICATIONS

IN BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1861

Examiner:

Teresa D. Wessendorf

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1639

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION** 

REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 24, 2004, Applicants elect to prosecute the claim of Group VII, claim 27, drawn to a method for detecting translation of a polynucleotide.

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

09/29/2004 DEMMANU1 00000046 201430 10626301

01 FC:2203

145.00 DA